## PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN

## Resolution

## Water Quality Facilities in Parkland

WHEREAS the Public Works Department has proposed to take .566 acres of land in Gillis Park for a permanent water quality facility; and

WHEREAS installation of the facility will prevent public use of said parkland on a permanent basis; and

WHEREAS said water quality facility will create certain safety risks for children:

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the premises, the Parks and Recreation Board makes the following recommendations:

- 1. In general, it is bad public policy to take public parkland for water quality installations when those installations will make the parkland unusable by the public.
- 2. Any such water quality facilities should be installed in parkland only where there is no other feasible alternative.
- 3. When such water quality facilities are installed in parkland, adequate compensation should be paid, sufficient to enable the Parks and Recreation Department to replace the lost parkland.
- 4. Whenever such water quality installations are installed, appropriate barriers should also be installed to minimize the risk that children may be harmed by the facility.

ADOPTED this 8th. day of August, 1995, by a vote of 6-0.

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